# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

CONCERNING THE

# 2006 RENEWAL AND CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENT (CE) FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN-PARAMEDICS

CERTIFIED PRIOR TO 2/1/04

### CERTIFICATION RENEWAL

Certificates expire on January 31, 2006 unless renewed. In order to renew, emergency medical technician-paramedics (EMT-P) must meet the continuing education (CE) requirements.

## **RANDOM AUDIT**

In order to determine whether the CE requirement has been met, the Board conducts a random audit.

As a result, EMT-Ps do <u>NOT</u> need to submit documentation of CE <u>unless they are being audited</u>. Those who are being audited will receive a memo in October 2005. Because they are expected to submit CE documentation with their renewal, they will not be able to renew online.

#### CE REQUIREMENT

The CE requirement may be met by having a **<u>current certificate</u>** from the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT).

Those who do <u>not have a current NREMT certificate</u>, will need to meet the entire CE requirement as contained in section 16-85-55(b) (2) as they were **certified in Hawaii prior to 2/1/04**.

#### <u>SECTION 16-85-55(b)(2)</u>

Section 16-85-55(b)(2) requires EMT-Ps to:

- Complete 48 hours of paramedic refresher training, which shall include advanced cardiac life support (ACLS) certification or training determined to be equivalent by the medical director;
- Be currently certified in CPR; and
- Complete 24 hours of additional CE in any of the following:
  - > Standards and policies of the emergency medical services system;
  - Human systems and detailed patient assessment;
  - Respiratory emergencies;
  - Cardiovascular emergencies;
  - Neurological emergencies;

- > Musculoskeletal emergencies;
- Obstetrical and gynecological emergencies;
- Neonatal and pediatric emergencies;
- Medical emergencies;
- Trauma;
- Shock and fluid therapy;
- > Behavioral disorders;
- > Extrication and rescue techniques;
- > Communication with base station and physicians; and
- > Pharmacology.

CE is to be obtained between 2/1/04 - 1/31/06.